

*Q2 Cn*  
d) an antimicrobial agent acceptable for topical veterinary applications in an amount effective to prevent microbial growth in the suspension.

*Q3*  
10. (amended) An article of manufacture, comprising packaging material and a formulation for controlling an ectoparasite infestation on a small ruminant or companion animal contained within said packaging material, wherein said formulation comprises

*Q3 M/S*  
a unit dose of a formulation of [any one of Claims 1 to] Claim 9; and wherein said packaging material comprises a label or package insert with instructions for administering the dose to the animal.

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12. (amended) A method of controlling an ectoparasite infestation on a small ruminant or companion animal, comprising administering to the animal an effective amount of a formulation of [any one of Claims 1 to] Claim 9.

Please cancel Claims 14 and 15.

Remarks

Claims 1-13 are pending in this application. No claims have been allowed.

Enclosed as Attachment 1 is a clean form of amended Claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 12, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(i). Also, enclosed as Attachment 2 is a clean version of all pending claims, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(3).

Claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 12 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency.

Applicants respectfully contend no new matter is added by amended Claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 10 and 12.